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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Official meetings

**Wednesday, 24 April 2013**

### Security Council

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| 10:00 | 6950th meeting [webcast] | Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01 |

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question[1]

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

### General Assembly

**Committee on Information**
Thirty-fifth session

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| 10:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 2 (NLB) |
| | Open-ended working group of the Committee on Information [item 9] | |
| Morning[1] to 13:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 2 (NLB) |

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the meeting of the Open-ended working group.

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**Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects**
Fourth meeting

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| 12:00 to 14:00 | Closed meeting | DOALOS Conference Room (DC-2 Building, 4th Floor) |
| | Meeting of the Bureau to consider the draft recommendations proposed by the Co-Chairs to be considered by the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole | |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Open meeting | Conference Room 1 (NLB) |
| | Consideration and adoption of recommendations to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly [item 12] | |

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**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (NLB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (NLB) |
| | Executive meeting | |

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## Economic and Social Council

***Partnerships Event*** [webcast]

10:00 to 13:00 — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

*Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development*

*Opening plenary:*

Welcome remarks by His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), President of the Economic and Social Council

Opening address by His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations

Keynote address by Mr. Mo Ibrahim, Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation

*Policy dialogue 1: "Partnerships for sustainability"* (from 10:30 to 11:45)

*Moderator:*
Mr. Ali Velshi, Host, Al Jazeera America

*Panellists:*
His Excellency Christian Friis Bach, Minister for Development Cooperation, Denmark

Ms. Doreen Lorenzo, President, Frog Design

Dr. Klaus M. Leisinger, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Novartis Foundation for Sustainable Development

*Interactive discussion*

*Policy dialogue 2: "The changing face of technology and innovation"*
(from 11:45 to 13:00)

*Moderator:*

Mr. Ali Velshi, Host, Al Jazeera America

*Panellists:*

Mr. Joseph Ogutu, Chair, Safaricom Foundation, Kenya

Mr. Suneet Singh Tuli, Chief Executive Officer, Datawind

Mr. Jon Gosier, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Appfrica

Mr. Julián Ugarte-Fuentes, Executive Director, Socialab

Professor Nicholas Negroponte, Chair Emeritus, MIT Media Lab

*Interactive discussion*

***Parallel Partnerships Clinics*** [webcast]

15:00 to 17:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

*Session 1*

*"Innovative partnerships to address research and treatments for neglected tropical diseases"*

*Moderator:*

Ms. Konji Sebati, Director, Department for Traditional Knowledge and Global Challenges, Global Issues Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization

*Panellists:*

Dr. Roy Waldron, Vice-President and Assistant General Counsel, Head of Global Patents, Pfizer

Dr. Neeraj Mistry, Managing Director, Global Network for Neglected Tropical Diseases

Dr. Solomon Nwaka, African Network for Disease and Diagnostic Innovation and World Health Organization Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases

Dr. Zafar Mirza, Coordinator, Department of Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property, World Health Organization

Ms. Helen F.M.'t Hoen, Visiting Fellow, University of Amsterdam, and Advisor, Medicines Patent Pool

*Interactive discussion*

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 6 (NLB)

*Session 2*

*"Mobiles for midwives: An innovative approach for better health information systems"*

*Moderator:*

Mr. Gary Fowlie, Head, International Telecommunication Union Liaison Office to the United Nations

*Panellists:*

Mr. Prabjot Singh, Director, Health Systems, Centre for Globalization and Sustainable Development, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Mr. Robert Kirkpatrick, Director, UN Pulse

Mr. Clint McClellan, Senior Director, Qualcomm Life, and President and Chair, Continua Health Alliance

Ms. Dorothea Lang, International Midwifery Consultant

Dr. Yves Bergevin, Senior Health Advisor, United Nations Population Fund

Mr. Josh Nesbit, Chief Executive Officer, Medic Mobile

Dr. Olivia Velez, Senior mHealth Advisor, United States Agency for International Development

Mr. Dykki Settle, Director, Health Workforce Informatics, Intrahealth International

Ms. Ester Madudu, Midwife, Atirir Health Centre, Katine, Uganda (via videolink)

*Interactive discussion*

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 5 (NLB)

*Session 3*

*"Innovation and technology: Development and dissemination of innovative design solutions to address extreme poverty"*

*Moderator:*

Ms. Cynthia E. Smith, Curator, Socially Responsible Design, Cooper-Hewitt Museum

*Panellists:*

Mr. Philippe Kridelka, Director, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Liaison Office, New York

Ms. Simona Rocchi, Senior Director for Innovation and Design, Philips Design

Mr. Marc Kerachsky, Director, New Market Models for Healthymagination, General Electric

Ms. Modesta Nyirenda, Senior Navigator, The Business Place

Ms. Shiela Kennedy, Professor of Practice of Architecture, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Mr. Ed Chan-Lizardo, Chief Development and Partnerships Officer, Kickstart International

Mr. Mikkel Vestergaard, Chief Executive Officer, Vestergaard Frandsen

*Interactive discussion*

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

*Session 4*

*"Innovative partnerships creating exponential change in access to quality learning"*

*Moderator:*
Ms. Femi Oke, Host, Al Jazeera English

*Panellists:*
His Excellency Christian Friis Bach, Minister for Development Cooperation, Denmark

Ms. Yoka Brandt, Deputy Executive Director, United Nations Children's Fund

Mr. Ted Dintersmith, Venture Capitalist, Partner Emeritus, Charles River Ventures

Dr. Sharad Sapra, United Nations Children's Fund Representative, Uganda

Ms. Kristen Titus, Executive Director, Girls Who Code

Ms. Josephine Bourne, Associate Director, United Nations Children's Fund

*Interactive discussion*

***Partnerships Event*** [webcast]

17:15 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

*Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development*

*Closing plenary:*

Reporting back on outcome of Partnerships Clinics

*Moderator:*
Mr. Amir Dossal, Founder and Chairman, Global Partnerships Forum

Remarks by Mr. Ellis Rubinstein, President and Chief Executive Officer, The New York Academy of Sciences

Closing remarks by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Closing statement by His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), President of the Economic and Social Council

[All are invited to attend. For additional information on the event, please *click here*; or contact Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org). Please note that it will be possible to join the discussion on the day of the event on Twitter, using hashtag #InnovateYourFuture.]

**Commission on Population and Development**
Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 6th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

*General discussion*

Actions in follow-up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development (E/CN.9/2013/3, E/CN.9/2013/4 and E/CN.9/2013/5) [item 3]

*Keynote statement by Professor Stella Go, on "Migration, gender and the family"*

15:00 to 18:00 — 7th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2013 [item 5]

*Address by the President of the Economic and Social Council*

*Statement by the Chief of the Population and Development Section of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs*

*General discussion*

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

*Continuation of general discussion*

[Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), on behalf of the Chair, will be held *today*, 24 April 2013, from 11:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB); and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).]

[The session is served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Commission is available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *seven minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *ten minutes*. Delegations are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org, as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.]

[Members of the Commission and observers are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

**United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)**

**Executive Board**
Informal consultation

The Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women will hold an informal consultation on the progress made on the strategic plan, *today*, 24 April 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in *Conference Room E (NLB)*.

## Informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

*The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252*. The meetings under this header are closed.*

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**Informal consultations (among co-sponsors of resolution 63/210 (A/RES/63/210)) on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)**

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

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**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Sanitation for all" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Singapore)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, at the Permanent Mission of Singapore (231 East 51st Street).

## Other meetings

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**Wednesday, 24 April 2013**

**Group of 77 (on the Commission on Population and Development)**

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| 09:00 to 11:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 5 (NLB) |
| 13:15 to 14:30 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 5 (NLB) |

**African Group (Fifth Committee experts)**

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E (NLB)

**African Group (Second Committee and Third Committee experts) (on the Commission on Population and Development)**

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

## Other activities

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**Wednesday, 24 April 2013**

**UNITAR orientation course for new members of permanent missions on the work of the United Nations**

From 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here.* For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

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**Women's International Forum: Meeting on "Women and heart disease: Working together on global challenges and progress" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please *click here* for further information.]

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**Experts meeting on "Rights in crisis" — Promoting human rights in financial regulation and macroeconomic policies" (organized by the Office of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)**

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB); and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nouhoum Sangare, OHCHR (e-mail sangaren@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6136).]

**Special event — "A tribute to Oscar Niemeyer and the United Nations Board of Design" (co-organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the Permanent Mission of Brazil, with the support of the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

From 17:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org).]

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**Special event on the occasion of the International Jazz Day (30 April) — Jazz: A language for peace (a concert by the Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in collaboration with the Brubeck Institute at the University of the Pacific)**

From 18:30 to 20:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3911). For registration, please send an e-mail to committeeoninformation@un.org.]

## Press conferences

*The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.*

**Wednesday, 24 April 2013**

*Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium* [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

# Forthcoming official meetings

**Thursday, 25 April 2013**

## General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

**Thematic debate entitled "The peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa"[1]**

*Opening*

10:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

*Keynote address*

10:20 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

His Excellency Jean-Pierre Buyoya, High Representative of the African Union for Mali and the Sahel

*High-level segment*

10:30 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

*Panel discussion I: "Fostering AU-UN cooperation around the nexus of peace, security and development"*

15:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

*Moderator:*
Mr. Colin Keating, Founding Executive Director, Security Council Report

*Panel discussion II: "Complexity of conflict in Africa (Mali, Somalia, Sudan and Democratic Republic of the Congo) and efforts to address these challenges"*

16:30 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

*Moderator:*
Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Africa

*Remarks by the President of the General Assembly*

17:50 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. To consult the updated programme for the thematic debate is available, please *click here*.

## General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

*Announcements*

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

## Security Council

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism**
Open briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, His Excellency Mohammed Loulichki (Morocco), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold a briefing to interested Member States on the Committee's revised documents and procedures for assessing Member States' implementation efforts of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

## General Assembly

**Committee on Conferences**
Organizational session for 2013

The organizational session for 2013 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 15:00, in *Conference Room 5 (NLB), to elect the Bureau* for 2013 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2013/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here.*

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

**Committee on Relations with the Host Country**

The 261st meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 30 April 2013, at 11:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room S-3633; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

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**Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction**
Intersessional workshops

Two intersessional workshops on issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction will take place at Headquarters from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The first workshop will take place on Thursday, 2, and Friday, 3 May 2013, and will address issues relating to "Marine genetic resources". The second workshop to be held on Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 May, will discuss matters relating to "Conservation and Management tools, including area-based management and environmental impact assessments". Both workshops will also consider issues related to international cooperation and coordination, as well as capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology.

The format and organization of work for the intersessional workshops and the provisional lists of panellists are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the workshops *by Wednesday, 1 May 2013* (e-mail doalos@un.org; room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

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**Committee on Contributions**
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

## Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections on Thursday, 25, and Friday, 26 April 2013, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), to fill vacancies in the membership of the following subsidiary bodies: Statistical Commission; Commission on Population and Development; Commission on the Status of Women; Commission on Narcotic Drugs; Committee for Programme and Coordination; Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund; Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; Executive Board of the World Food Programme; International Narcotics Control Board; and Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS. The Council will also hold elections to fill outstanding vacancies in the following subsidiary bodies: Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting; Committee for the United Nations Population Award; and Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme.

The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2013/2/Add.1.

Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Radhika Ochalik (e-mail ochalik@un.org) and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups. A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

The Council will also take action on the proposed theme for the item on regional cooperation (E/2013/L.3) and the proposed theme for the humanitarian affairs segment (E/2013/L.4)[1] of its substantive session of 2013.

[1] To be issued.

## Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-third session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 25 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2013/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2013/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2013/L.2).

Further information on the Committee for Programme and Coordination is available at www.un.org/en/ga/cpc/.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of the note verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

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**Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations to discuss organizational matters, on Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 30 April, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B (CB). All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

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**Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services**
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

*Tuesday, 30 April 2013*, from *11:30 to 13:00*, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP country programme document for Egypt;

*Tuesday, 14 May 2013*, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B (CB): on the report of the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigation;

*Tuesday, 21 May 2013*, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

*Friday, 24 May 2013*, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

*Tuesday, 28 May 2013,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

*Wednesday, 29 May 2013,* from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

## Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

*The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252*. The meetings under this header are closed.*

*General Assembly*

**Informal consultations with all Member States on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)**

*Thursday, 25 April 2013,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB); and

*Tuesday, 30 April 2013,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

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**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Multilingualism" (under agenda item 120) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Senegal)**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (briefing by Qatar)**

*Thursday, 25 April 2013,* from 11.00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

**Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* from 15.00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

**Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)**

*Thursday, 25 April 2013,* from 11:30 to 13:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

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**International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties**

*Thursday, 25 April 2013,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

**International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* from 08:45 to 09:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

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**Arab Group (at the expert level)**

*Thursday, 25 April 2013,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

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**Eastern European Group (at the expert level)**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* at 10:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

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**Consultations with the *Eastern European Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* from 10:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

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**Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)**

*Monday, 29 April 2013,* at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by CTITF, Department of Political Affairs)**

*Friday, 26 April 2013,* from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Anne Cruz, CTITF (e-mail cruz14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0541).]

**Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "The Secretary-General's Five-year Action Agenda, pursuant to resolution 51/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled 'Policies and programmes involving youth'" (co-organized by the Department for Social and Economic Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme and the Office of the Envoy of the Secretary-General on Youth)**

*Monday, 29 April 2013,* from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anke Green, DESA (e-mail green@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9650).]

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**UNITAR/OLA seminar on "Repression of piracy on the oceans and seas: An international legal framework" (co-organized by the UNITAR New York Office and the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))**

*Monday, 29 April 2013,* from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

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**Briefing on "The present and future of renewable energy" (by the secretariat of the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the Twenty-First Century (REN21)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))**

*Monday, 29 April 2013,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; or Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP (e-mail sniffenj@un.org).]

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**Friends of the International Criminal Court (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)**

*Wednesday, 1 May 2013*, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Mr. Martin Huth, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail martin.huth@diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0420).]

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**Briefing on "The international nuclear liability regime" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))**

*Wednesday, 1 May 2013*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact the IAEA Liaison Office at the United Nations (e-mail iaeany@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6012).]

**Special events on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day (3 May) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Greece, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO))**

**Screening of the film "Which Way is the Front Line from Here? The Life and Time of Tim Hetherington", followed by a panel discussion on "United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity"**

*Thursday, 2 May 2013*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

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**High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)**

*Wednesday, 8 May 2013*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

## Announcements

**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

*Introduction to United Nations documents*

*Today*, 24 April 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in French*);

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

*Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases* (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 25 April 2013; and

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

*Overview of the Legal Library* (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

*RSS feeds* (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

*Advanced research using subscription e-resources* (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

*Security Council documentation* (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

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**United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme**

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2013 Fellowship Programme is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* (Note Verbale ODA/28-2013/FP dated 28 February 2013 refers). Nomination form and other attachments can be found at www.un.org/disarmament/fellowship/. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, Room S-3159, New York, N.Y. 10017.

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**Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly**

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 67/40, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/03-2013/D&D dated 18 March 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/49, paras. 2 and 4, entitled "Information on confidence building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note Verbale ODA/24-2013/ICBM dated 18 March 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/62, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/23-2013/CAC dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* the information relevant to Resolution 66/20, paras. 2 and 10 (a) and (b), entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/OIMM dated 18 March 2013 refers).

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The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

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**2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand**

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013.*

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

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**Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies**

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

# Summary of official meetings

**Monday, 22 April 2013**

## Economic and Social Council

**Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

7th meeting

The Council continued its special high-level meeting.

*Thematic debate of the whole on theme 2: "Financing for sustainable development, including through leveraging private capital, in the context of the follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012"*

The Council heard the presentations made by the following senior officials of institutional stakeholders: Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); and Mr. Chris Lane, Division Chief for Low Income Countries, Strategy, Policy and Review Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF).

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, China and Nicaragua, as well as by the observers for Peru and Germany.

A statement was made by the observer for the European Union.

Statements were made by the Executive Directors of the World Bank.

A statement was also made by a representative of the business sector, Citigroup.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following civil society organizations: International Women's Anthropology Conference; Third World Network; and African Development Interchange Network.

*Thematic debate of the whole on theme 3: Global partnership for development in the context of post-2015 development agenda"*

The Council heard the presentations made by the following senior officials of institutional stakeholders: Mr. Jos Verbeek, Lead Economist, World Bank; Mr. Richard Kozul-Wright, Officer-in-Charge, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD; and Mr. Shishir Priyardarshi, Director, Development Division, World Trade Organization.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Benin, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Ethiopia and South Africa, as well as by the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

A statement was made by the observer for the European Union.

Statements were made by the Executive Directors of the World Bank.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following entities from the business sector: Samuels Associates; and United States Council for International Business.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following civil society organizations: Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund; Egyptian Centre for Economic and Social Rights; and Third World Network.

*Closing of the special high-level meeting*

The President of the Council (Colombia) announced that his closing remarks would be posted on the website of the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

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**Tuesday, 23 April 2013**

## General Assembly

**Committee on Information**
Thirty-fifth session

2nd meeting

*General debate* [item 7]

*Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General* [item 8]

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Chile, the United States, Costa Rica, Israel, Belarus, Egypt, Oman, the Republic of the Congo, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, Ukraine, Burkina Faso, Mexico and Argentina.

3rd meeting

*General debate* [item 7]

*Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General* [item 8]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation, India, Lebanon and the Bolivarian State of Venezuela, as well as by the observer of the State of Palestine. The representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the International Organization of la Francophonie.

A closing statement was made by the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information.

## Economic and Social Council

**Special meeting on "External debt sustainability and development: Lessons learned from debt crises and ongoing work on sovereign debt restructuring and debt resolution mechanisms"**

8th meeting

*Opening of the meeting*

The President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), made an opening statement.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, also made a statement.

A statement was made by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, His Excellency Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

*Panel discussion*

The Council heard the presentations by the following panellists: Mr. Jeffrey Lewis, Senior Adviser and Head of the International Policy and Partnerships Group, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank; Mr. Christoph Paulus, Professor, Humboldt University, Berlin; Ms. Yuefen Li, Head, Debt and Development Branch, UNCTAD; and Ms. Benu Schneider, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Financing for Development Office, DESA.

Following the presentations of the panellists, an interactive discussion ensued, in the course of which statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, South Africa, China and Ecuador.

The representatives of the following civil society organizations also made statements: Jubilee U.S.A.; and Bread for the World.

The panellists responded to the questions and comments made.

*Organization of work*

A statement was made by the President of the Council (Colombia).

9th meeting

The Council continued its special meeting.

The Council heard a keynote address by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Professor at Columbia University and recipient of the 2001 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, on "Gaps in legal and institutional structures for debt restructuring".

*Panel discussion on "The architecture for debt restructuring"*

The Council heard the presentations by the following panellists: Mr. Sergio Chodos, Alternate Executive director, International Monetary Fund; Mr. Hans Humes, Chair and Executive Officer, Greylock Capital Management, LLC; Ms. Deborah Nache-Zandstra, Partner, Sovereign Debt Restructuring Group, Clifford Chance, London; Mr. Lee Buchheit, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen and Hamilton, New York; and Mr. James Haley, Executive Director, Inter-American Development Bank.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand and Ecuador, as well as by the observers for Belize, Switzerland and Iraq.

*Closing of the meeting*

The President of the Council (Colombia) made concluding remarks.

[*Note*: To consult the provisional list of participants of the special meeting, please *click here*. Delegations are requested to review the list and send any modifications or additions to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org).]

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**Commission on Population and Development**
Forty-sixth session

4th meeting

*General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects* [item 4]

*General discussion*

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil, Belarus, Malaysia, Indonesia and Switzerland, as well as by the observers for Myanmar, South Africa, Mexico, Ukraine, Poland and Canada.

*Actions in follow up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development* [item 3]

The Commission had a panel discussion on "Migration and development" and engaged in an interactive dialogue moderated by His Excellency Mr. Tobias Billström, Minister for Migration and Asylum Policy of Sweden, with the participation of Professor Aderanti Adepoju, from the University of Ife, Nigeria; Professor Marcela Cerrutti, from Argentina's National Council of Scientific and Technical Research at the Center of Population Studies and the San Martín National University of Buenos Aires, Argentina; and Professor Marek Okólski, Professor of Demography at the University of Warsaw, Poland. An interactive discussion ensued, in which the observers for Mexico and Nigeria participated.

5th meeting

*General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects* [item 4]

*General discussion*

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Norway, Portugal, Germany, Senegal, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Belgium, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Jamaica, Pakistan, El Salvador, Cuba, Malawi, Japan, Uganda and the Republic of Moldova, as well as by the observers for Australia, Kyrgyzstan, Botswana, Argentina and Malta.

# Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

**Arms Trade Treaty**
**(New York, 2 April 2013)**

**Opening for signature**

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Treaty, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation. Electronic copies of the Treaty will be made available soon on the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Treaty could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection.

# General information

**Chairs of the regional groups**

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
Democratic Republic of the Congo
His Excellency Ignace Gata Mavita wa Lufuta

*Asia-Pacific States:*
Samoa
His Excellency Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia

*Eastern European States:*
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
His Excellency Pajo Avirovikj

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
His Excellency Camillo Gonsalves

*Western European and other States:*
France
His Excellency Gérard Araud

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**Security Council**

**Communications to the President of the Security Council**

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**Web of the presidency**

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

**Recorded information**

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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**Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications**

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**Websites**

*Department for General Assembly and Conference Management*
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*Presidency of the Security Council*
www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/

*Security Council*
www.un.org/en/sc

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism*
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)*
www.un.org/sc/1540/

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs*
www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html

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www.un.org/en/ecosoc/

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www.un.org/depts/dhl/

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www.icj-cij.org/

*Journal of the United Nations*
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*United Nations Webcast*
www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html

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http://unyearbook.un.org

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www.un.org/chronicle

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| A/67/780/Add.2 | Items 146 and 161 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic — Budget performance of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S] — *6 pages* |
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| | **Sixty-eighth session** |
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**Committee on Relations with the Host Country**

A/AC.154/404 Letter dated 11 April 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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| S/2013/221 | Report of the Security Council mission to Africa (Ethiopia, the Sudan and Kenya), 19 to 26 May 2011 [A C E F R S] — *18 pages* |

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)**

S/AC.44/2013/2 Note verbale dated 10 April 2013 from the Permanent Mission of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

**Economic and Social Council**

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**Committee for Programme and Coordination**
**Fifty-third session**
**Substantive session**

E/AC.51/2013/5 Item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda — Programme questions: evaluation — Review of the evaluation capacity of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees — Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [A C E F R S] — *24 pages*

**Secretariat**

ST/SGB/2007/11/Amend.1 Secretary-General's bulletin — Amendment to the Secretary-General's bulletin — ST/SGB/2007/11 on United Nations system-wide application of ethics: separately administered organs and programmes [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

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